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In re Application of: Arenberg, et al.

Title: CONTROLLED RELEASE SYSTEM FOR DELIVERING THERAPEUTIC AGENTS
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions for a 3-month extension of time within which to respond to the Final Office Action dated 06/02/2009, such extension allowing the undersigned until 12/02/2009 to respond.

Please charge Deposit Account No. **50-1953** in the amount of \$ 1110.00 as set forth in the enclosed transmittal letter. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. **50-1953**.

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